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SUBJ: AMERICAN FIRM WISHES SURVEY SHRIMP FISHERY IN LIBERIA

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1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED COMMERCIAL TELEGRAM FROM INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES CORP., 120 WALL ST, NEW YORK AS FOLLOWS: QTE WISH SEND MODERN AMERICAN SHRIMP FISHING TRAWLER LIBERIA CONDUCT ONE YEAR SURVEY. WOULD LIKE LIBERIAN FISHERIES DEPARTMENT COOPERATION. KINDLY CABLE WHETHER FISHING PERMIT OBTAINABLE. CABLE ADDRESS INFISHCORP. UNQTE.

2. EMBASSY HAS NO OBJECTION TO RAISING THIS MATTER WITH GOL. HOWEVER, INFISHCORP SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT LIBERIA AND SIERRA LEONE NOW NEGOTIATING AN AGREEMENT UNDER AUSPICES OF MANO RIVER UNION WHICH AIMED AT RESERVING FISHERY OFF BOTH COASTS TO NATIONAL VESSELS EITHER COUNTRY (SEE REFTELS). MOREOVER, LOCAL FISHING INDUSTRY (ESPECIALLY SHRIMP FISHING)  
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NOW A MONOPOLY OF MESURADO FISHING CORP. WHICH CONTROLLED BY

FINANCE MINISTER STEPHEN A. TOLBERT, PRESIDENT'S BROTHER.  
PRESIDENT TOLBERT ALSO HAS 25 PERCENT INTEREST IN MESURADO.  
WHILE IT POSSIBLE THAT GOL PERMISSION MIGHT BE OBTAINED FOR  
INFISHCORP TO SURVEY LIBERIAN SHRIMP FISHERY, IT UNLIKELY  
THAT TOLBERTS WILL ALLOW ANY LONG-TERM COMPETITION BY FOREIGN  
OPERATORS IN HOME WATERS. THEREFORE, SURVEY MIGHT BE EXERCISE  
IN FUTILITY EVEN IF PERMITTED.

3. SUGGEST DEPARTMENT ADVISE INFISHCORP OF LOCAL SITUATION.  
IF FIRM STILL WISHES PURSUE MATTER WE WILL EXPLORE POSSIBILITY  
ISSUANCE OF LICENSE WITH GOL.  
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